

REMARKS

Claims 1-42 are pending in the present application. In summary of the outstanding Official Action:

1. The amendment filed 12/27/2004 is objected to under 35 U.S.C. 132(a) as allegedly introducing new matter.
2. Claims 1-6, 8-11, 14-22 and 33-42 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C.(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US20003/0023957 (Bau).
3. Claims 7, 12, 13 and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bau et al, further in view of "Mapping CORBA and SOAP", 10/31/2000 (CORBA).
4. Claims 23-32 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Reconsideration of the outstanding objections and rejections to the claims is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Objection to amendment filed 12/27/04

The material added to the specification in the amendment filed 12/27/04 has been canceled in the present amendment. Thus, withdrawal of the objection is earnestly solicited.

Claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-6, 8-11, 14-22 and 33-42 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C.(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US20003/0023957 (Bau). Claims 1-6, 8-11, 14-22 and 33-42 have been canceled without prejudice in the present amendment. Thus, withdrawal of the rejections is earnestly solicited.

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Claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 7, 12, 13 and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bau et al, further in view of "Mapping CORBA and SOAP", 10/31/2000 (CORBA). Claims 7, 12, 13 and 20 have been canceled without prejudice in the present amendment. Thus, withdrawal of the rejections is earnestly solicited.

Claim objections

Claims 23-32 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 23 has been rewritten in independent form and thus as amended no longer depends from a rejected base claim. Claims 24-32 all depend from base claim 23 as amended and thus include all of the limitation of independent base claim 23 as amended, and therefore are no longer dependent upon a rejected base claim. Thus, withdrawal of the objection is earnestly solicited

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the present Amendment is responsive to each point raised by the Examiner in the office action and Applicants submit that claims 23-32 of the application are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and passage to issue of the application at the Examiner's earliest convenience is earnestly solicited.

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